

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1-3 have been cancelled. Claims 4-10 are pending and under consideration.

In an Advisory Action mailed on May 5, 2006, the Examiner indicated that amended claims 4-10 would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claims (Box 6). The Examiner also indicated claims 4-10 were allowed and claims 1-3 were rejected (Box 7). Accordingly, claims 1-3 are canceled.

It is understood and therefore submitted that claims 4-10 are allowable and place the application in condition for allowance.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

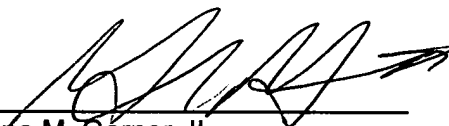
Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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